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Dear Mr. Fokens:

This is in response to your letter received 13 March 2006 inquiring about the status of U.S. patent application 10/542,952 filed 21 July 2005. The application is being processed by the U.S. Designated/Elected Office and a Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) was mailed to applicant on 21 February 2006. A copy of such Notice is attached herewith for your convenience.

Sincerely,

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